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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This communication is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed August 3, 2005, requiring restriction of certain claims within the subject application. Specifically, the Examiner has divided the currently pending claims into Group I, claims 27-40, drawn to a tray system for holding and position components, or Group II, including claims 41-48, drawn to a tray system.

Applicants hereby elect to prosecute Group I, claims 27-40, drawn to a tray system for holding and position components. This election is made without traverse.

It is submitted that the above election is fully responsive to the Office Action mailed August 3, 2005. Since September 3, 2005 was a Saturday, and September 5, 2005 was a Federal holiday, the one-month deadline for response is September 6, 2005. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. No fee is believed to be necessary in connection with this Response. Should any fee be required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-1775 and notify us of the same.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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